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FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY HOLBROOKE FROM SHOESMITH

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SUBJ: MODE: HONG KONG INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION AGENCY
(ICA) STAFF

REFS: A) STATE 147837 (B) 77 HONG KONG 14829

1. I APPRECAITE YOUR FIRM SUPPORT OF OUR PROPOSAL TO REDUCE
THE ICA AMERICAN STAFF HERE BY ONE OFFICER BY COMBINING
THE CULTURAL AFFAIRS AND PROGRAM OFFICER POSITIONS. I
AM CONFIDENT THAT THIS MOVE WILL ADD VERVE AND EFFICIENCY
TO THE ICA OPERATION.

2. WIRES SEEM TO HAVE SLIPPED ON YOUR REQUEST TO ICA
TO RE-EXAMINE THE POSSIBILITY OF FURTHER REDUCING ITS
STAFF BY ONE BY COMBINING THE DEPUTY PUBLIC AFFAIRS AND
INFORMATION OFFICER POSITIONS. THIS WAS ACCOMPLISHED
SEVERAL YEARS AGO. OUR PROPOSAL (REF A) WAS THAT UPON
THE DEPARTURE OF THE INCUMBENT DPAO/IO IN SEPTEMBER 1980,
CONSIDERATION SHOULD BE GIVEN TO CONSOLIDATING THE
PAO AND DPAO/IO POSITIONS. YOU MAY THEREFORE
WISH TO MODIFY THIS PORTION OF YOUR RULING, KEEPING
IN MIND THAT WE CONTINUE TO BELIEVE IN THE LIKELY
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DESIRABILITY AND FEASIBILITY OF COMBINING INTO ONE
THE EXISTING PAO AND DPAO/IO POSITIONS SOME TWO YEARS
HENCE.
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